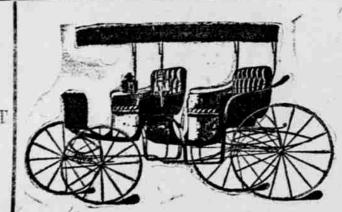
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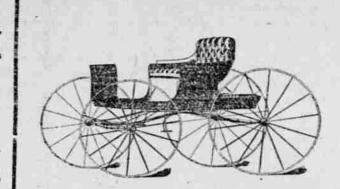
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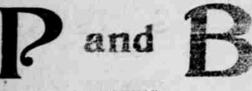
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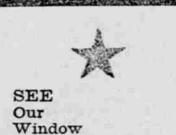
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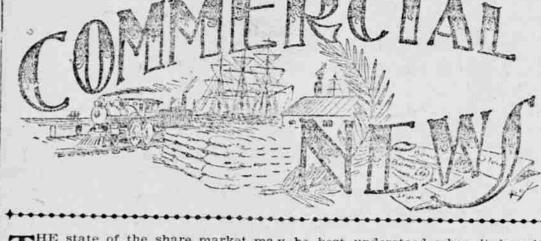
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state of the share market may be best understood when it is said that the fact that the Kona Sugar Company is to go into the hands of a receiver caused not a ripple on the exchange yesterday. There had been a great deal of discounting of the facts in this case, but through all there was a ray of hope that the San Francisco syndicate would come to the rescue of the corporation and lift it out of the bog.

Brokers received the news quietly, as there is abiding faith that the company will be helped out of any difficulty by local or San Francisco men, who now have cash in the bonds of the venture. That there will be a careful man put at the head of the plantation is sure, and the money necessary for the taking off of the present crop and the putting of the estate in shape for subsequent plantings will be forthcoming when the time arrives for its use. The agents of the concern taking the initiative in the matter have put themselves where the clearing up of the liabilities, and the fog which has surrounded the matters of the estate, will leave them decidedly benefitted by the action. It is the belief that the suit will be in effect a friendly one, as both sides, it is alleged, have agreed to the settlement in this way. No name had been agreed upon for receiver yesterday.

The apathetic state of affairs on the stock board was shown during the week by the further sagging of prices. There have been a few declines, although it seemed that there could be little falling off in prices. The principal stock represented in the tradings was Ewa, which from \$23 went down to sales at \$22,50, and a bid price yesterday of \$22. There was a rumor in the week that there would be a cutting of the dividend at the annual meeting, which will be held before the end of the month, but this was authoritatively denied. All evidence seems to the contrary. It is understood that there will be effected a consolidation between the Ewa and Apokaa sugar companies, as it is known that all the stock of the latter is in the hands of the Ewa interests. Altogether, there were sales of 410 shares of Ewa at the lower

The lowest price recorded for Oahu was that which was marked on Tuesday, when the rate was made \$90, upon a trade of fifteen shares. This was not followed by any further decline, as there was no more of the stock to be had, and the reason for the break seemed to lie only in the fact that there was a realization necessary. This stock has not been dealt in heavily at any time recently, but it is believed that there will be even steadier feeling on the part of the insiders who hold the stock, and that little of it will come out until there is a decided recovery.

Waialua is below the figure which has been ruling for the past month, the price being now \$54 bid, without any hopeful tendency to an advance very

Ookala has fallen off to \$7.50, which is a point and a half below the last sales. There was a considerable slump in McBryde, which sold to the extent of 200 shares at \$5, and there was little demand for more of the stock even at that price. Hawaiian Sugar also fell away with sales at \$27, followed by a depression to \$25.25, and closing yesterday at \$25.50. There has been little doing in general, and the whole list may be said to be off slightly, perhaps owing to the disturbed state of the minds of the investors.

REAL ESTATE. In the many reports of building operations there comes one of an increased demand for small house sites on the outskirts, lots which may be bought for something like \$300 to \$700, and upon which there are no building restrictions. There are several of this kind of tracts in the vicinity of the city, and these are all doing well. The only high-class building site sold during the week was that purchased by A. Hocking, at the head of Kewalo street. This plot has in it 25,000 square feet, and was purchased a couple of years ago at \$5,250. But the transfer at a forced sale was made to Mr. Hocking at \$3,750, or a loss of \$1,500 for the two years' holding. The lot has some drawbacks, but has also an excellent view and has been much coveted during the time it has laid idle.

In the other direction there has been a sale which may put a line on the same conditions. A purchase was made by Schnack which placed in his hands, at a price which will be close to \$1,500, a lot which was purchased less than two years ago for \$2,600. This would indicate that there has been a forced sale in this case, too, and the outlook is that there will be less highpriced property purchased, as the inquiry is for cheap lots. One broker has an order for two lots in Makiki, if the same rate that obtained in the Hocking sale can be had. He has not been able to make any deal, however, which would indicate that the holders are still keeping their figures at the

There have been negotiations for \$500,000 of the cash which the German Savings and Loan Company directors have decided to place here at once. Of this amount \$300,000 is that loan for waich the Kapiolani Estate is reported to have made a successful deal, and the other loans are principally the Orpheum Company, \$32,500; Progress block, \$55,000; Dr. Anderson, \$8,000; minor loans, \$10,000 more. Most of these loans have been made at 7 per cent, though there have been some at 61/2 per cent. Smith & Lewis are the attorneys, and Waterhouse & Co., the loan agents for the bank. They have now under consideration a loan upon one of the largest buildings, which will mean another \$100,000 for investment here. There have been several sales of small lots in Nuuanu and Palama, and the usual amount of inquiry is reported in Manoa, where there are a half dozen houses in process of erection or contem-

NEW FILLING PLANS.

At a meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Manoa and Palolo Construction and Land Co., Ltd., held February 8th, the capital stock of the company was increased (as provided for in its charter) from \$40,000 to \$200,-000. Also, an issue of \$100,000 in bonds was authorized. This is for the purchase of a tract of land in Manoa Valley, upon which the filling material is located, and to proceed at once to construct a railway from Kapiolani Park to connect with the route already surveyed in Manoa and Palolo Valleys. Some 400 acres of land are available for filling. The price for filling the low lands in the Walkiki district will range from 271/2 to 35 cents per cubic yard. The main line will run by trolley system with a powerful electric freight motor. Mr. Skinner, of the Hawaiian Electrical Works, has been appointed electrical engineer of the company. It is proposed to transport lumber and other material for building from the new Bishop wharf to the two valleys named, and to haul ballast to the ships at the wharf. While the subdivisions of these valleys are in process of settlement, a motor and trailer will give morning and evening service for workmen and residents. C. P. Grimwood, of Grimwood, Richardson & Holloway, Ltd., is superintendent of construction and surveys. The first line will be through Kapiolani Park and Kaimuki to the valleys.

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Supt. Boyd Plans Change in Wash Houses.

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Sanitary Improvements Decided Upon at lwilei-Talk of Change in Location.

The improvement of the public wash houses as recommended by the Board of Health, will be made as soon as the necessary arrangements can be entered into by Superintendent Boyd. An investigation of the premises has been made by Assistant Superintendent Campbell and Engineer Gere, with this end in view, and as soon as the report and recommendations are in the hands of the Superintendent of Public Works whatever changes that may be necessary will be made. Superintendent Boyd stated yesterday that there was some possibility of the wash houses being removed from their present loca- | tion in I wilel, but the absence of a suitable place now owned by the Territory, 3 makes this unlikely. It may, however, be necessary to make some change while the present place is being reno-

"This is a work that requires considerable attention," said Superintendent Boyd yesterday, "and the improvements suggested by the Board of Health cannot be made in such a hurry as they probably wish. I admit that the public wash houses are not in as good condition as they might be, still I do not think they are as bad as reported by Inspector Keen. This department is not responsible for all the things reported by the Board of Health: the Chinese washmen are simply tenants of the government and their rooms are rented to them, so that they are responsible for keeping their places clean, just as well as any other tenant would be, who rented from a private individual.

"The wash houses probably ought to be moved, but the government has no other suitable location to place them. It may be necessary to change them for a time in any event, while the improvements are being made, but we hope still to be able to do the work at different times, so that it will not inconvenience the tenants to any great extent. The timbers have rotted away, and it is hard to get at them, for they are sunk several feet in the ground.

"The present location can be much improved upon, and the entire place will have to be renovated. The place is constantly filling up and the tide does not carry away the refuse water as it used to do; at high tide the water is left standing in the trenches, and the present arrangement is far from satis-

"I do not think the government should abandon these public wash houses, for if it did it would mean a monopoly for any laundry in the city, and prices would go sky high. By allowing these Chinese wash men the use of the wash houses and its accompanying privileges I believe the prices of such work has been kept at a reasonable figure, and for that reason if for no other the public wash houses should be maintained. "Nothing further will be done in the

matter until the report is received from Mr. Campbell and his recommendations will then be acted upon. The Department of Public Works, though perfectly willing to take its share of the responsibility, is not wholly to blame for the condition of the wash houses, and the Board of Health should enforce some of its regulations more strictly against the occupants. Probably one mistake in the construction of the building was the second story which is used as sleeping apartments by the Chinese, but they have not suffered by reason of it. I have not heard either of any sickness in families whose washing is done by these Chinese, and sults in our family so long that it has though probably considerable improvebecome a household necessity. By its ment can be made, conditions at pres-We know of no way in which we can prompt use we haven't any doubt but ent are not alarming. However, we be of more service to our readers than that it has time and again prevented intend to start the renovation of the to tell them of something that will be croup. The testimony is given upon buildings at the earliest opportunity, our own experience, and we suggest and will make such improvements as

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